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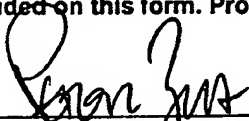
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

This Response is submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 20, 2005. The Office Action issued a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121, stating that the Application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

Species A: claims 1-5 and 10, drawn to a bandpass filter device which may consist of only a single bandpass filter classified in class 398 subclass 43.

Species B: claims 6-9, drawn to a WDM bandpass filter arrangement that must consist of a plurality of filters classified in class 385 subclass 27.

In response, Applicant elects, with traverse, Species A – claims 1-5 and 10. Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications to the non-elected claims.

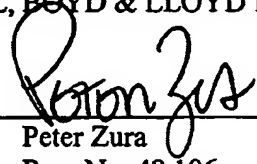
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deduction is made, please indicate the attorney docket no. (0112740-912) on the account statement.

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